



SIGN OF SPRING: The temperature may not indicate it and the ground is snow-covered and frozen, but a true sign of spring is the birth of lambs. These are the animals of Ralph Hess, Feedora road, rural Buchanan. Two lambs were born Monday and others were born over the weekend for a total of 14 babies new to the flock. (Staff photo by Paul Dodson)

Protestors Go Wild About Sentencings

Chicago Jury Still Out

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Violence flared during demonstrations in California and New York against jail sentences imposed on seven Chicago riot conspiracy defendants and their attorneys for contempt of court.

Meanwhile, a federal jury entered its fourth day of deliberations today on the guilt or innocence of seven men charged with riot conspiracy. The inability of the jurors to reach a quick verdict prompted defense speculation of an ultimate deadlock.

An estimated 2,000 persons threw rocks, wood, bottles and chunks of ice in New York and

'Little Old Lady' Halts Disturbance

BATTLE CREEK (AP) — A 75-year-old substitute gym teacher at Pennfield High School can still handle trouble if it occurs.

Mrs. Russell Barden routed four youths Friday when they disrupted the girl's gym class. The 5-foot-1, 110-pound teacher described the youths as "quite drunk" but she stood up to them.

Mrs. Barden sent one of the youths sprawling when he tried to climb the stairs to a balcony where a modern dance class was in session. "I just gave him a very light push but he was so drunk that he fell down the stairs," Mrs. Barden reported. "With his fall, the troublemakers started running."

Asked later whether she was afraid, Mrs. Barden replied, "You just catch them off balance and you've got them."

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about 1,000 persons fought police and smashed plate glass windows in downtown Berkeley, Calif., on Monday.

PEACEFUL RALLY

Earlier in the day an estimated 2,000 persons attended a peaceful rally in San Francisco where speakers denounced U.S. Dist. Court Judge Julius J. Hoffman for the weekend sentences in the Chicago trial.

Berkeley police reported six officers injured and 13 persons arrested after four hours of rain-pelted encounters in the streets.

One officer was stomped on the head when a small group turned on him, another wound up with a broken arm, and several were hit in the face with bricks and other flying objects. One policeman received glass fragments in his eyes.

In New York, a demonstration sponsored by the Fifth Avenue Vietnam Peace Parade Committee marched from City Hall to the Criminal Court Building, site of a hearing for 13 Black Panthers on charges of conspiring to kill policemen and bomb public buildings.

Fifteen were arrested after a melee in which several policemen and news photographers were injured.

The Berkeley demonstration featured a nine-foot effigy of Judge Hoffman. When a policeman tried to haul it down, the crowd surged along a street, breaking store windows over a nine-block area and pelting policemen with sticks and stones.

BREAKING WINDOWS

The crowd stayed together for an hour, blocking traffic near

the University of California, then broke into small groups that roamed the streets for another three hours breaking windows and at times attacking isolated policemen.

Meanwhile, a legal defense team began Monday the process of appealing the contempt sentences given the defendants and their two lawyers over the weekend by Judge Hoffman.

Thomas P. Sullivan, a Chicago lawyer, filed with the U.S. 7th Circuit Court of Appeals a notice seeking relief from the sentences. The notice serves as a motion to free the defendants on bond pending the lengthy appeals procedures. Sullivan said he hoped an extensive brief in support of the appeal could be

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Policemen On Strike

LIVONIA (AP) — City officials in the Detroit suburb of Livonia said they will ask the Wayne County Circuit Tuesday to issue an order to return striking Livonia policeman to duty.

All patrolmen and corporals have refused to work since Sunday, complaining of illness. The men are members of the Livonia Police Officers Association which has been negotiating a new contract with the city.

Mayor Harvey W. Moelke said that all police functions were being taken over by supervisory personnel and Civil Defense auxiliary police.

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GOING TO DOGS

Puppy Saver Hailed; Child Saver Snubbed

MUSKEGON (AP) — Firemen in Muskegon say they are convinced the world is going to the dogs.

An article contributed by the fire department to the Port City Log, a publication for city employees, described the firemen's reasoning this way:

"You may recall a fire we had a short time ago where fire Lt. Robert DeBor rescued a small child in a burning house and firefighter Robert Baker rescued five puppies. The puppy episode evidently hit the fancy of the nation's press and Baker has received Christmas cards from all over the United States congratulating him on saving the puppies... 'Bob DeBor who saved the child hasn't heard a thing. Which proves that the world is going to the dogs.'

NIXON ASKS CONGRESS TO LOWER VOTING AGE

Bridgeman Teen Loses Big Race

Youth Killed When Train Strikes His Auto

BRIDGMAN — An apparent attempt to "beat the train across the tracks" failed last night and a Bridgeman high school student was killed.

The victim was James Ray Howard, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Howard of 535 Oak street and a senior at Bridgeman high school.

State police at the New Buffalo post reported that the accident occurred about 7:15 p.m. at the Baldwin road crossing of the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad.

Trooper Thomas Blazak, the investigating officer, said the auto driven by the youth was rammed by the first of three engines pulling a 51-car freight train through Bridgeman en route from Grand Rapids to Chicago. The auto was dragged at least a half mile to a point 370 feet southwest of the Rambo street crossing. The youth was alone in the car.

A Bridgeman area man died Jan. 31 at the Rambo street crossing when his pick-up truck collided with another train. The death last night was the seventh so far this year on Berrien county roads. It also was the fifth in the county over the past five days.

Engineer William Burnett, 51, Grand Rapids, told Blazak that his train was traveling southwesterly at about 40 miles an hour. Burnett said he and others in the cab estimated that the auto, northbound on Baldwin, was traveling about 60 to 65 miles an hour in an apparent attempt to beat the train across the tracks. Engineer Burnett told troopers the train's horn was being sounded, but the driver of the auto made no effort to slow down.

Blazak said the road is straight at the crossing and visibility is good. Blazak reported that signals include stop signs and railroad crossing signs, but no flashing lights. The Baldwin road crossing is in the southern portion of Bridgeman within the city limits.

ENGINE DAMAGED

Blazak said the impact damaged the front portion of the engine. The freight was powered by this and two other diesel engines. The train departed after the investigation for New Buffalo for repairs before continuing to Chicago, Blazak reported.

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ROADBLOCKS

Roadblocks were set up around the base and around the adjacent city of Fayetteville, but there were no results at mid-morning.

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ACTIVE IN SPORTS

James was born March 11, 1952, in Harrisburg, Ark., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Howard.

At Bridgeman high school, he

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JAMES RAY HOWARD
Crash Victim



CENTER OF CONTROVERSY: Folsom's version of Smokey the Bear stands on one foot as zoo director Gordon Brong talks to him Monday. Officials at the National Zoo in Washington, D.C. wrote a letter to Brong asking him to change the California bear's name because they say there is only one Smokey the Bear and he is in their zoo. They cited an act of Congress which reserves the name solely for a bear residing at any given time in the National Zoo. Residents of Folsom are circulating petitions rejecting the federal government's demands. (AP Wirephoto)



IT'S SMOKEY, BAR NONE: This is Smokey the Bear, says the federal government of this animal at the National Zoo in Washington. (AP Wirephoto)

elsen of Eastern Airlines Flight

No. 1. "I sweated plenty until we convinced that mixed up fellow to extinguish the fuse."

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"That bomb looked real to me," said Capt. Wayne A. Dan-

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Editorial Page

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Environmental Thinking Going Activist

Economists, businessmen, financial experts, scientists and others too numerous to mention have drawn on all the talents they possess in an effort to give us a glimpse of life in the next decade. Generally, they see such things as a dramatic growth in the population and a rip-and-tuck fight to preserve vital elements of our environment. In spite of the plaguing problem of inflation, businessmen appear to expect continued growth and new opportunities.

One of the imponderables that could throw all estimates of the future askew may well lie in the developing philosophies of young people, those who will actually be on their way to running the country by the time another decade rolls around.

Behind the militants, the fringe of fuzzy thinkers and the adherents of nothingness is the vast body of the coming generation. Millions of its members, in advanced states of formal education, stand at the threshold of assuming the responsibilities of mature citizens in the greatest nation of free men on earth. Will they pursue solutions to complex social and economic problems within the framework of the existing system of representative government and private enterprise? Those with confidence in the future of the nation believe they will, but the course of human behavior has always held many surprises.

An interesting glimpse of what some young people are thinking was revealed recently at a meeting of a five-state Student Council on Pollution and Environment. The meetings was held in Oakland, California. It was significant because it showed a super positive trend of thought among an apparently representative group of today's college oriented youth. The students adopted an ecological bill of rights. They also appointed a delegate to go to

Washington with eight other regional student chairmen to give to Interior Secretary Walter Hickel some of the "fresh ideas" he has requested from the nation's college and high school youth.

Among other things, the bill of rights proposes establishment of a national research technical center to find new or better ways to protect water resources; tax incentives to industry for example, for reusing bottles or recycling paper pulp. Other proposals included basing car registration fees on exhaust emission tests, elimination of tax deductions for more than two children in a family and making sex education mandatory in all public schools.

Typical comments of students attending the meeting are as striking as the provisions of the ecological bill of rights.

One from California State College observed: "At the end of this decade we're going to run this country. We're not just interested in trying to persuade — we're interested in absolute action."

Another said, "Americans consume and live in absolute disregard of their environment, and are particularly impervious to the grim facts of what overpopulation will do to the planet.

The students' bill of rights proposes that the federal government "should insist on the establishment of an average family size of two children." The problem of population growth was uppermost in the minds of the 700 young people attending the meeting, as well it should be, since they represent the generation that must come to an ultimate grip with the population explosion.

A University of California biology student explains the call for immediate action on curbing population in a few simple words — "because famines are predicted internationally," we (the United States), "the student continued, "can't say, you must limit your population unless we do it, too."

On the same theme of population control, another student commented, "With the present standard of living, further significant increases in population would be disastrous, not only for the United States but for the world as a whole."

There is little doubt but that if a substantial majority of young people are ready to accept the tenets of the five-state Council on Pollution and Environment many of the current prognostications of the future will have to be revised.

There can be little doubt if only a bare majority of young people support the Council's tenets that much of today's prevailing environmental thinking created by older minds will be drastically re-designed within five to ten years.

Computer Talk

When frustrated man comes up against imperturbable machine, what is he to do? Roger Fischer enlisted the aid of his own machine to do battle for him and he won.

Fischer was one of those hapless victims of large city traffic department snafus who are repeatedly notified of a traffic violation they didn't commit. The Chicago executive fol-

lowed the usual routine of writing to the city's traffic violations bureau to inform someone he didn't own the car listed in the summons.

His protestations didn't stop the arrest warnings, obviously the product of a computer. So, Fischer enlisted the aid of his company's computer, and sent punched cards which detailed his predicament to the bureau. The cards could only be read by another computer.

"To the computer" his coded message read. "Apparently the letters I have sent to the humans who try to control you are being disregarded and not being put into your disposal bank. I have written these humans three times, and they have not given you the proper information."

In reply, Fischer received a message from the police computer saying the whole thing had indeed been a human error and had been dropped.

This may be the age of rapid communication, but at times it takes some devious routes. The secret, as ever, is to try to understand the language.

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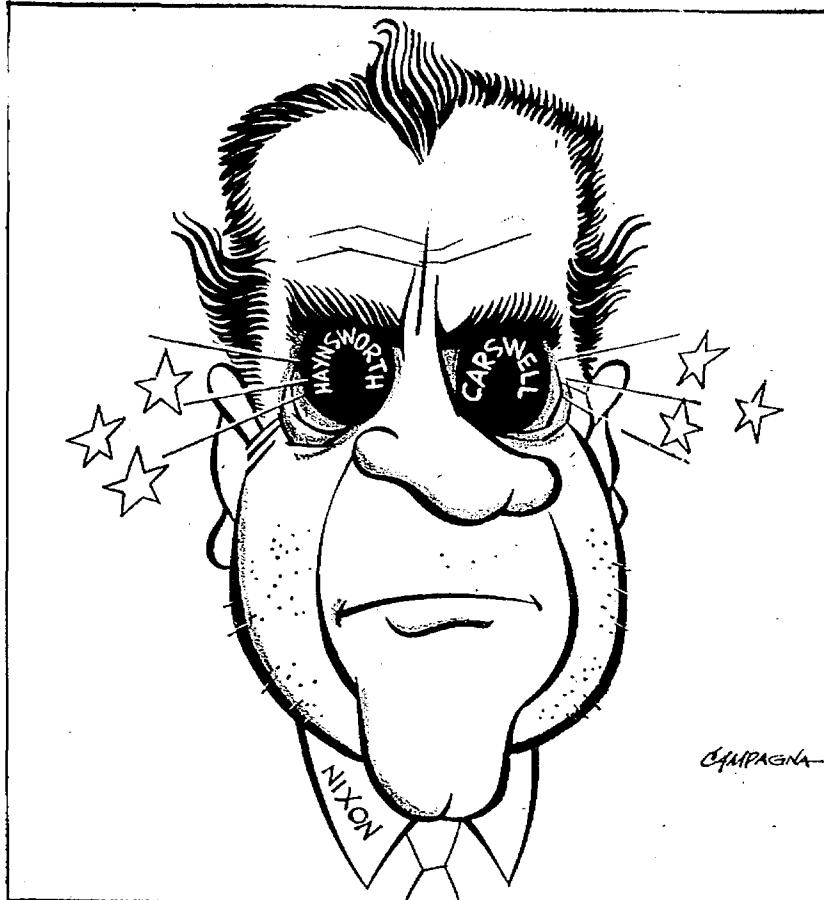
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"There Ain't No Justice!"



GLANCING BACKWARDS

WATER PACT APPROVED

—1 Year Ago—

Apparent full agreement has been reached on terms of a contract under which St. Joseph city will sell water to four suburban units of government south of this city.

James Small, chairman of the Lake Michigan Shoreline Water and Sewage Treatment Authority, said representatives of the four units—St. Joseph and Lincoln township and the Villages of Stevensville and Shoreham—approved the contract terms at a meeting recently.

Bears Win ON IWO JIMA

—25 Years Ago—

What started out to be one of St. Joseph's easiest victories of the season last night turned into a real thriller with the Bears beating Holland Christian 67-65 in sudden-death overtime.

A rebound shot by John Dase with 1:26 gone in the second overtime gave the Bears their 13th win of the season in 14 starts and their second in overtime.

YANKS LAND ON IWO JIMA

—25 Years Ago—

American amphibious troops invaded Iwo Jima on the road to Tokyo today, an imperial communiqué broadcast by the Japanese radio reported.

Unconfirmed Domini news agency dispatches, intercepted by the U. S. Federal communication commission, which said Yank assault forces had landed on two beaches of the Southern shore of Iwo within ten minutes, were followed by the imperial announcement which claimed the attacks were repulsed and five attacking ships sunk.

ON TRIP

—35 Years Ago—

The D. D. Merrill of Lake Boulevard and Mrs. Jane L. Cutler of the Whitcomb hotel, are in California, where they motored for a six weeks' trip.

NEW DIRECTOR

—15 Years Ago—

The new director of the

WILLIAM RITT

You're Telling Me!

Plain milk may prove too ordinary for people in the 1970s, a British government report suggests and urges the dairy industry consider flavoring the lacteal fluid with rum, whisky and fruit juices. On reading this, the office toper says he'll drink to that.

There's one school in which dropouts prove the most successful students — it's the training course for parachute jumpers.

Tight money market? Reader Dick Patton writes that his favorite bartender has been running one of those for years!

An editorial writer suggests we should "think more and worry less." Glad to! — if we could just think of something we needn't worry about.

An historian says early Spanish explorers introduced the peach tree into the Americas. That was mighty sweet of them!

In spring and summer the quail destroys many harmful insects and in autumn eats huge amounts of harmful seeds — Factograph item. So — naturally — we go out and shoot it!

Y.W.C.A. cafeteria, Mrs. Maidie Jacobs, of Chicago, will arrive next week. She has been director of the Elenor club in Chicago for five years.

PRICES RISE

—55 Years Ago—

Six-cent bread for the small sized loaf went into effect in St. Joseph as local bakers raised prices because of the increase

in costs due to rising wheat quotations throughout this country and on the world market.

CLUBS MEET

—78 Years Ago—

Members of the Grand Army of the Republic met with the Sons of Veterans to make arrangements for memorial services in honor of General Sherman.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,
The Herald-Press:

CENSUS CAN BE ANSWERED PRIVATELY

I recently wrote to Congressman Hutchinson in Washington regarding the 1970 Census.

I told him that I would prefer to mail in my completed census form rather than hand it to an enumerator. I asked if this is possible.

Congressman Hutchinson obtained a letter from the Bureau of the Census, and sent it to me.

"I want to assure Mr. Henkle that all persons employed to take the census are required to swear on oath not to disclose any information about persons or households that comes to their attention in the course of collecting or processing the census data. The law provides severe penalties for any census employee, including enumerators,"

ors, should they ever violate this oath of confidentiality.

"Recognizing that these guarantees are not sufficient reassurance for some householders who do not wish to provide information that can be examined by a census taker, every householder is entitled to furnish his report instead in a sealed envelope by mail directly to the census office, provided that he carefully follows the instructions on the questionnaire and completes all applicable questions to the best of his ability. The census takers in 1970 will, on request, provide envelopes, information and materials to householders who wish to avail themselves of this special procedure."

S/GEORGE H. BROWN,

Director,

Bureau of the Census,

C. WINSLOW HENKLE,

36 No. Lake Shore Dr.,

Lakeside

North dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
♦ K74
♦ KQ93
♦ KJ6
♦ 96

WEST
♦ 852
♦ A6
♦ 1074
♦ K10832

EAST
♦ 963
♦ 754
♦ 8532
♦ AQ

SOUTH
♦ A Q10
♦ 1082
♦ AQ9
♦ J75

The bidding:

North East South West
1 Pass 2 NT Pass

Opening lead—three of clubs.

It is surely not advantageous to be penny-wise and pound-foolish, and this ancient proverb can be applied just as effectively at the bridge table as in everyday life.

For example, consider this case where excessive thrift by West resulted in South's making a game that should have gone down.

West led a club and East won with the ace and returned the queen, which held. East then led a low spade.

Declarer won and forced out the ace of hearts. West could now do no better than cash his king of clubs, and the outcome was that South made three no-trumps.

True, this would have handed South a club trick he could not otherwise make, but that would have been a very cheap price to pay for stopping the contract. West would later have scored two tricks in restitution for the one he gave away, and this one-trick gain would have meant all the difference between making and breaking the contract.

There are several factors for West to consider before making his play at trick two. First, the decision to overtake the queen should be guided more by the aim of defeating the contract than by whether the play will cost a club trick.

Second, West should try to estimate the chances of East's having another club to lead if the queen is ducked. Acutely, the odds strongly favor East's having no more clubs, considering South's two no-trumps.

Finally — and this is the deciding factor — West should ask himself how likely it is that overtaking the queen will cost the contract. On the bidding, declarer can hardly run more than three spades and four diamonds, so presenting him with a club trick cannot prove fatal.

RUTH RAMSEY

Today's Grab Bag

THE ANSWER QUICK!

1. What Italian inventor gave his name to a unit of electro-motive force?

2. Who was the first to fly the English Channel?

3. What English poet married a noted poetess?

4. What book contains the body of Jewish laws and traditions together with the commentaries of the rabbis?

5. Who is the author of "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes"?

YOUR FUTURE

Remain on guard against threatened attempts to "best" you. Today's child will be of a quiet, peaceable disposition.

IT'S BEEN SAID

The burden which is well borne becomes light.—Ovid.

BORN TODAY

From St. Simon's Island in Georgia to the Cleveland Browns to Hollywood is the path to fame that Jimmy Brown ran and his trip has left him one of the most lauded and controversial of America's present day athletes.

Casey Stengel asked him to join the New York Yankee organization when he was pitching no-hitters and hitting home runs for his high school team.

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As a high school senior he averaged 38 points a game in basketball. In college he once won the high

jump at a track meet while warming up for a lacrosse game. In lacrosse he was All-American. In golf he quickly began shooting in the 70s without a single lesson.

Despite his versatility, football was his favorite sport for his speed, power and mental agility.

When the Cleveland Browns of the National Football League drafted him number one following the 1956 college football season, his signature started the pro career of one of the greatest ball carriers in history.

The NFL record book is sprinkled with his achievements and he now is pursuing a career in the movies.

In some ways, the discordant notes swirling around him today are reminders of his earlier days when life was seldom easy. When he was two, his parents separated. For five years he lived with his great-grandmother while his mother went north to work as a maid. He rejoined his mother when he was seven, in Manhasset, N.Y.

Others born today include Queen Mary of England, Margaret Truman Daniel and Marian Anderson.

WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE

OPINE — (oh-PINE) — verb; to think;

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Twin City
News

PALLADIUM ADDITION WILL START IN MARCH

BH Fiscal Woes Seem To Pile Up

New Valuations, Business Lapse Reduce Revenue

Benton Harbor city commissioners faced two new "headaches" and the expansion of a third last night in their study of ways to solve the city's growing financial crisis.

The new issues stemmed from the proposed re-evaluation of property within the city for taxing purposes and the slowdown in the general economy.

City Manager Don C. Stewart estimated the re-evaluation could clip \$3.4 million off the city assessment roles, reducing income by about \$40,000.

The re-evaluation was worked out by the Berrien county tax equalization department and covered the rest of the county as well as Benton Harbor. All other units in the county were to show an increase. In Benton Harbor, the value had dropped 3.4 per cent from last year, the report said.

OTHER REVENUE CUT

The economy slowdown, said Stewart, was reducing revenue expected from sales tax, gas and weight tax and the state income tax. It could be felt yet this year and, if so, would bear on next year too, he said.

Expanded through a preliminary report by Stewart was the amount which will have to be cut from the 1970-71 budget if no new revenue is found. Stewart said the amount was about \$50,000. It had previously been estimated at \$40,000.

Stewart said general operating budget requests for the year starting July 1, amounted to \$2.1 million.

The commissioners received Stewart's report at an informal session after their regular commission meeting. No decision was reached on what course will be pursued.

ALTERNATIVES STUDIED

Under study are a one per cent income tax plan; a property tax boost; a surtax on water and sewer users in the city; cutbacks in services; or a combination of any of them.

City attorney Samuel Henderson reported an income tax could not be tied to an advance referendum as proposed by Mayor Wilbert F. Smith.

The commission, he said, must first establish the tax and then, if residents object, they may petition for a formal referendum. Any referendum held before commission action would be simply a straw vote, Henderson said.

During the regular commission session, the commission:

- Designated Stewart as the city's street administrator.

- Approved seeking bids on automotive equipment needed in the Cemetery department and for demolition work on sections of streets being taken through urban renewal.

- Approved a dance permit request from the NAACP New Youth Council. The dance is to be held Feb. 20 in the YMCA.

- Authorized the Yerington Construction company to demolish an urban renewal-owned building at Bond and Ninth streets.

- Received a request from Mrs. Beatrice Denton, assistant coordinator of the Adult Basic Education program, to help promote the program. She said some 1,200 adults have graduated from the program during its six and a half years and some 220 are currently enrolled. She said the program was part of the Benton Harbor public school's Community Education program.

BH Woman In Hospital After Beating

A Benton Harbor woman, Opal Burridge, 44, of 420 Rifford street, was admitted to Benton Harbor Mercy hospital Sunday after she was beaten. Her condition today was fair.

Mrs. Burridge told Benton Harbor police yesterday she was slapped on the face, choked and kicked in the abdomen several times. She was advised by police how to sign a complaint. She named her husband as the assailant.

SECURITY GUARDS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pan American World Airways says it has security guards on some flights to guard against hijacking. They pose as ordinary passengers. Pan Am said in a Monday announcement.



GOING HOME: Mrs. Willie Lark (right) of 140 North Winans, Benton Harbor is taking daughter Charlotte, home from Memorial hospital, St. Joseph—four months after her baby was born prematurely on Oct. 15. She is shown with Mrs. Carol Curry, pediatric supervisor. At birth the baby weighed one pound, 11 ounces and dropped to a pound, seven ounces. The attending pediatrician could not remember a smaller baby surviving, complimented the nursing staff at Memorial hospital on the care given the tiny patient. Nurses nicknamed the 13-inch baby "Twiggy" and swarmed around her when the mother came to take her home yesterday (Mon.). Weight yesterday was five pounds, nine ounces. Mrs. Lark's husband is in the army at Fort Knox. The mother is a nursing assistant at Memorial hospital. (Staff photo)

SJ Bluff Resident Can Dump Cars Till Thaw

Commissioners Ease Ban

St. Joseph city commissioners last night exempted a St. Joseph resident from the city ban against dumping old autos along the shore to stay erosion.

Commissioners also postponed further consideration of two large substandard properties,

passed in its first reading an ordinance to place on the spring ballot a bond issue for a new Park street viaduct and heard further plans for development of St. Joseph riverfront property.

Action on the shoreline policy came as a result of a letter from Mrs. Genevieve Rae Hahne of 3500 Lake Shore drive. In it, Mrs. Hahne asked commissioners for permission to continue dumping cars over the bluff for just another month or until the spring thaw begins.

Mr. Hahne pointed out that cars dumped over the cliff will be covered when the new sea wall is built next summer and a backfill is placed between the wall and bluff.

\$2 MILLION SEAWALL

The state highway department

plans a \$2 million seawall that will extend some 6,000 feet along the shoreline, as far south as Hawthorne avenue. It is scheduled for completion sometime this year.

The need for such a wall became especially apparent recently when the highway department was forced to close to trucks a section of Lake Shore drive because of landslides.

Commissioner Frank Smith supported Mrs. Hahne's contention that the seawall and the

wall behind it should allow the temporary dumping to continue. With Commissioner C.A. Tobias, Jr., abstaining, the other commissioners voted the exemption for Mrs. Hahne only.

Mrs. Hahne's letter was prompted by a recent announcement by Safety Inspector Carl Conklin. Conklin said dumping old autos as protection against erosion could not continue. City Manager Leland Hill last night said Conklin was simply reiterating a decision made by the commission almost a year ago.

DECISION MARCH 2

In passing the first reading of the bond issue ordinance, the commission left for its next meeting, on March 2, the final decision whether to seek voter permission to issue bonds for a new \$210,800 Park street viaduct.

The old viaduct now is off-limits to all but passenger cars.

Studies have indicated it is "in very poor condition" due, in part, to uneven settling.

City Attorney Arthur G. Preston, Jr., reported he had drawn up the ordinance to raise \$210,000 by issuing short-term bonds of \$5,000 each. The last of these bonds would fall due in 1976, he said.

Because of a recent Supreme Court ruling, Preston said, the city will allow both property owners and non-property owners to vote on the bond issue. Formerly, only property owners could have voted in the election, the effect of which might be the addition of as much as 65/100 mill to the current tax rate.

The ordinance will be on the April 6 ballot.

WRECKING PERMIT

Commissioners voted to let ride for an indefinite period action pending against the old Baptist Children's home at 1401 Langley avenue. The city has declared the building substandard. Preston said the owners, the North American Baptist Convention, had already taken out a wrecking permit in anticipation of demolishing the 40-room structure.

The commissioners also granted a 60-day reprieve to the House of David, owners of another substandard property, the jams and jelly factory on Broad street. On behalf of the House of David, Atty. Stephen Rounell of New Buffalo, said (See back page, sec. 1, col. 1)



OPEN: Second Burger Chef in the Twin Cities opened Monday noon at 2901 Niles avenue, St. Joseph. Harold Harris (left), area supervisor for Burger Chef Systems, Indianapolis, Ind., was one of the first customers of Bob Seeley, the franchise holder. Seeley also has a Burger Chef on Riverview in Benton Harbor. The new establishment is part of a shopping center being developed by Progressive Realty Inc. on the 10-acre site located on Niles avenue between Lester and St. Joseph drive, President Richard Insley, said. (Staff photo)

Milestone For Urban Renewal

It's First Major Private Project Under B.I. Program

Construction should start in late March on expansion of Palladium Publishing company's main plant. Palladium President W. J. Banyon told the Benton Harbor city commission last night.

Banyon spoke briefly after the commission approved final plans for an annex that will add almost 30 per cent to the size of the plant at Michigan and Oak streets in downtown Benton Harbor.

The company's purchase of an acre and a quarter of ground cleared via urban renewal created room for the building addition and additional off-street parking. Under terms of the purchase agreement, building plans must meet certain city requirement.

Cost of the expansion, including equipment, will run into the hundreds of thousands of dollars. The project represents the first major, private development to get underway in the city's urban renewal program.

COMMENDED FOR FAITH

"We commend you for your faith in downtown Benton Harbor," Mayor Wilbert Smith told the Palladium company president, "and we look forward to a beautiful addition."

Banyon got another "thank you" from the mayor when he mildly surprised the commission with promise of an unexpected tax windfall to the city.

"We are all aware of the city's financial difficulties," said the newspaper publisher, "and that urban renewal has been something of a drag on the treasury."

He noted that the property acquired by his firm comprised five separate parcels of land. Records show, he said, that they were taken off the tax rolls during the urban renewal process prior to being bought by Palladium Publishing. They would have paid \$727.49 in city taxes.

WILL PAY TAXES

Although his company is not liable for the taxes, Banyon said "we'll be happy to pay \$750 if you send us a notice when the July tax bills are sent out."

"That's very nice. We thank you very much," smiled Mayor Smith.

Banyon estimated that the annual city tax on the completed expansion may be in the vicinity of \$12,000.

He said Holland Construction Co. of St. Joseph expects to have plans out for bids by Feb. 23, returnable March 15. Actual construction will get underway "before the end of the coming month," he added.

The Palladium company publishes the Benton Harbor News-Palladium and St. Joseph Herald-Press. All production is carried on in the Benton Harbor printing plant. Most of the new addition will be devoted to an automated circulation department.

Palladium paid just over \$35,000 an acre for the land it acquired through urban renewal.

96 YEARS ON STATE STREET: Three State street "oldtimers" will man the Schnapps Haus, formerly the Carlton and Walters liquor store, on State street near Broad street, St. Joseph, that was purchased recently by Richard Ludwig. From left are Morris Fetke, a 40-year veteran merchant; Ludwig; Mrs. Norene Dorsett, who started clerking in the store in 1949, and Bill Connors, who was in the Tip Top Sandwich shop for 35 years. Ludwig said operations will be expanded to include a delicatessen shop. Fetke will operate the store nights and Connors daytimes. Hours will be from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. weekdays. (Staff photo)

Benson Blames State For Traffic Impasse

Citizen Asks Reasons For Penetrator Delay

The St. Joseph township penetrator dispute could be resolved in one afternoon if the state highway department would budge from its present unyielding position, Supervisor Orval Benson told a constituent last night.

Henry Griffendorf, 587 Monte-zuma road, Fairplain, veteran Twin City insurance man, asked Benson to outline the township board position on the St. Joseph penetrator.

Griffendorf said the traffic situation on Lincoln, Washington and Cleveland avenues, arteries feeding traffic into the twin cities, was a "terrible situation" in the morning, at noon and in the afternoon.

"You are taking your life in your hands," Griffendorf said, "going on those roads during the peak traffic hours." A penetrator, presumably, would alleviate the traffic on the local roads.

Benson said St. Joseph's township was against the penetrator route because it splits the township, there is no benefit to the township, the proposed Hilltop - Niles - Washington intersection is a "monstrosity" and the state highway department has not budged "one inch" from its original plans.

Benson, warming up to the subject, said the penetrator fence will run right up to the St. Joseph city limits (from 1941) that not one block of St. Joseph township property will have access to the highway and that the penetrator will not affect the traffic situation in St. Joseph.

He denied that St. Joseph township opposition had barred anyone from reaching the city.

Robert DeVries, a township board member, said he had heard Benson on at least three occasions say the issue could be resolved in an afternoon of negotiations.

"Who would these individuals be in case a meeting could be arranged?" he asked.

TOWNSHIP, STATE

Benson said that he assumed that some outside agencies like the attorney general's office would be interested, but the main negotiators would be the highway department and the township. "It would be silly of me to say things could be resolved and then refuse to go to a meeting," Benson said.

Benson told Mrs. Dean R. Asselin, 3808 South Lake Shore drive, Shoreham, that she and other property owners who have lost land to Lake Michigan, should seek reappraisal of their property in letters to the supervisor and in personal appearances before the board of review.

The board of review meets March 16-17 and tries the final say in adjusting property valuation, he said.

Benson said engineers should have a complete report at the March 2 meeting on how much water services will cost town-ship taxpayers. These costs will be the ad valorem tax covering transmission lines and the



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tap-in charges for those wishing to obtain city water immediately. The contract with the city of St. Joseph will go into effect as soon as bonds are sold, sometime this spring.

CONTRACT APPROVED

The board approved a contract with William S. Lawrence and associates of Chicago to provide services for the planning commission. However, three features of the contract—the work on a geographical base, a survey of streets, thoroughfares and transportation, and a study of economic factors for planning including population projections—will be deferred and subject to further negotiation.

Treasurer E. A. (Larry) Larson reported \$1,110,541 in taxes had been collected prior to Feb. 15 and that a considerable amount more had come in the mail over the weekend. He estimated that total tax collection to date was about 89-92 per cent.

Guns Taken From Two Men In BH

K-Mart Guard Grabs Pistol

Benton Harbor police received two separate reports last night of men who grabbed pistols out of the hands of men pointing the weapons at them. One man was arrested and the other escaped. Raymond Keigley, 20, a K-Mart security guard, said he wrested a loaded .25 caliber pistol out of the hand of a man he was holding on a shoplifting charge. He also reported removing a knife from the man while searching his clothing.

GUN LEFT BEHIND

The other, Edward Carl Maas, 52, of 224 Benton street, Benton Harbor, fell when he grabbed a gun out of the hand of a man who tried to force his way into his home. The man fled without the weapon. Keigley and the store manager stopped a man who promptly returned a shirt that had been paid for. The store personnel asked the suspect, Roy B. Garrett, 37, of 247 Ross street, Benton Harbor, to accompany them to a cloak room in the store.

Keigley said Garrett took a small gun out of his pocket and placed it in the pocket of his coat. Keigley reached for the gun, but it was grabbed out of his hand and pointed at him, Keigley said.

Keigley, who grabbed the loaded weapon and removed it from Garrett's hand, then searched Garrett's clothing and removed a knife, he told Jenkins.

THREE CHARGES

Garrett was charged with carrying a concealed weapon, possession of an unregistered weapon and petty larceny (shoplifting).

Maas said a man stopped at his home and asked if he had any apartments for rent. When Maas replied in the negative, the man pulled a .38 caliber revolver out from behind him and tried to force his way into the home.

Maas told Patrolman James Clark he grabbed the weapon and fled. The man at the door fled.



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CASS REJECTS SPECIAL EDUCATION MILLAGE

Migrant Labor Housing Rules Draw Berrien Fire

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County Board Backs Growers

By BRANDON BROWN
Staff Writer

The Berrien County Board of Supervisors Monday threw its support behind growers in a fight with state-federal regulations on migrant labor housing.

Supervisors by resolution asked for a "workable solution" to the migrant labor housing problem that the resolution says has cost state farmers up to \$1 million a year. Meanwhile, they ask that camps licensed in 1969 be relicensed for 1970 "without the imposition of any additional state or federal housing regulations."

But labor housing was only one of a half-dozen or more big topics tackled by supervisors Monday. The others include water for Lincoln and St. Joseph townships, a police protection pact with Lake township, the resignation of a Berrien county road commissioner and resolution to expand the commission, a change in 1970 board of supervisor rules plus others.

Supervisor Kenneth Wendzel, a rural Benton Harbor grower, introduced the migrant housing resolution by terming it an "emergency situation" and said later a group of Berrien and Van Buren growers and nurserymen were to meet Monday in Watervliet to draft petitions for statewide circulation.

SAME GOALS

The petitions' goals are the same as the resolution's, he said — urging state and federal governments to search for a "workable solution" to migrant housing while holding further housing regulations in abeyance for 1970.

Wendzel's resolution says farm income is declining while the cost of migrant housing increases and that Michigan farmers have spent from \$750,000 to \$1 million a year for the past six years on migrant housing.

Another farmer-supervisor and a former member of a state farm labor committee, Harry Nye, told supervisors:

"There is an organized campaign to shut off the (migrant) people . . . and settle them in one place."

"I heard high officials in the department of labor say this some years ago and they've

been saying it since."

VOICE VOTE

Wendzel's resolution, addressed to state and federal officials all the way to the President, was approved in a voice vote.

Other topics before the board Monday:

• Supervisors gave a final okay to a Public Works Board plan for a county-backed \$5,325,000 water distribution system in Lincoln and St. Joseph townships, to be called the Berrien County Water Supply System No. 2, which is expected to be under construction by July 1. A bond sale to back the mission member Herman Barcott of Watervliet and ordered bids are the next hurdles. The that letter of thanks be sent municipalities getting water will to him. The three-man commission for the system, much as it was under fire for conducting business without quorum.

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Cassopolis school district — Precinct 1, Fred Russ gym, 293 no, 237 yes; precinct 2, Vandalia school, 212 no, 128 yes.

Marcellus school district — one precinct, Hudson Memorial building, 218 no, 203 yes; Edwardsburg school district — one precinct, Edwardsburg high school, 278 no, 258 yes.

In other action, the board restated an earlier position that the board's primary concern in the Main street improvement issue is for the safety of children who use the street. The board said it would take no position on the mechanical aspects of the proposed improvement such as whether the street should be widened to four or five lanes or left as is.

HEARING THURSDAY

Dr. Kenneth Reinke, school superintendent, will present the board's position at a public hearing Thursday night at the high school cafeteria. The State Highway department will conduct the hearing on objections to its plan to widen slightly more than four blocks of Main street, eliminate the median strip and replace old brick pavement.

The proposal called for a 1 percent tax on residents and a 1/2 percent tax on non-residents. When the tax was proposed last November, a referendum was defeated.

The margin in the referendum was 212 against and 178 for the tax.

City Manager William Valusick said the close tally "shows the people are concerned about their city."

Hiring of a school crossing guard for Front and Telegraph streets was approved by the board. A guard had been hired earlier for the Main street crossing near Patrick H. Hamilton school. The city has agreed to

share the cost of both guards.

A leave of absence was approved for Miss Sharon Sasse, special education teacher, for an indefinite period starting March 20.

Stop, Frisk Okayed By Highland

HIGHLAND PARK (AP) — Highland Park's stop-and-frisk ordinance received tentative, but unanimous approval from city councilmen Monday night.

About 200 persons crowded the council chambers and a majority of them opposed the plan.

Mayor Robert B. Blackwell, a Negro, said most of the opponents were "contingents of black militants and white liberals."

Blackwell proposed the law a week ago. Another council vote is scheduled for Feb. 24, and if that is affirmative the ordinance will go into effect March 6.

81 DIE IN WRECK

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) — A crowded passenger train rolled off the tracks at the foot of an embankment, killing 81 persons and injuring many more, railway officials said today.

Choice Now 2nd Vote Or Cutback

First Loss Ever In Michigan For This Type Of Request

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IN ADDITION

The awards of merit were signed by Kesterke and the president and secretary of the Beautification Commission, Mrs. Elsie Buck and Mrs. Elaine Chaudoin. Some 40 townspeople, active in restoring the turn-of-the-century exterior of 115 Ferry Street, the proprietors, Phil and Shirley Perock, were likewise singled out by the Beautification Commission for their contribution to civic improvement.

Gilbert Leach, proprietor of the Berrien Inn, north of town at 1501 St. Joseph Street, was awarded a certificate for the face-lifting of his store front. For modernizing the interior of the Shirle's Card Shop and restoring the turn-of-the-century exterior of 115 Ferry Street, the proprietors, Phil and Shirley Perock, were likewise singled out by the Beautification Commission for their contribution to civic improvement.

The three merchants honored were the first to refurbish their business places in accordance with designs drawn by Dr. John Osborn, professor emeritus of architecture at Pennsylvania State University.

TO REMODEL HALL

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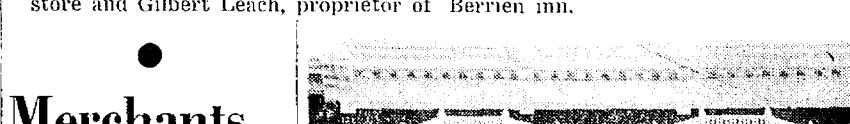
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NEW APPEARANCE

Redecorated in 1890's motif, Shirle's card shop presents this appearance on West Ferry street business block. Phil and Shirley Perock are proprietors.



MERCHANTS CITED: Village President Edgar Kesterke awards citations on behalf of Berrien Springs Commission on Development and Beautification to (from left) Shirley Perock of Shirle's card shop, Jack Davis of Davis variety store and Gilbert Leach, proprietor of Berrien inn.



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appearance to Berrien Springs, down-to-earth mass broom attack on the down town sidewalk, streets and alleys.

This block attack will seek to upgrade all facilities in the heart of the village blocks and spread to area improvements in out-of-town sections. The program, as he outlined it, calls for immediate attack on a creeping Berrien blight if unccerned residents and business men don't face and develop civic pride in home, business and neighborhood.

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A decorated cake depicting marigolds, the suggested symbol of Berrien Springs, was donated and cut by John Walls, director of Andrews University Food Services. Dick Dean served as host for the evening and Horace Shaw, director of public relations for the Beautification Commission, served as master of ceremonies in making the community achievement awards.

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